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DHS Responses to Open Records Requests in October 2012

The DHS responds to numerous requests for public records. Requests for confidential records by people who are permitted by law to receive them are not listed here.

On Oct. 5 the department responded to a Sept. 27 request from Sean Dunagan of Judicial Watch Inc., of Washington DC. Mr. Dunagan wanted any communication between the DHS and any federal official regarding waivers of TANF work rules. The only communication was the original communication from federal officials. That document was provided.

On Oct. 17 the department responded to an Oct. 11 request from Lee Rood of the Des Moines Register. Lee wanted the total amount of subsidy and foster payments paid over 20 years to a Des Moines family. The information was provided.

On Oct. 22 the department responded to an Oct. 17 request from Steve Anfinson regarding the average daily census at facilities administered by the DHS. Mr. Anfinson previously received additional information about the facilities. There was no fee.

On Oct. 22 the department responded to an Oct. 18 request from Amy Woodward of the Independent Institute of Denver, Colorado. Ms. Woodward wanted to know if Iowa had any communication with federal officials regarding application for a waiver of any TANF rules. The only communication was from federal officials explaining the possibility of a waiver. Ms. Woodward also wanted to know if Iowa will apply for waivers. Iowa will not apply.

On Oct. 26 the department responded to an Oct. 13 request by Rose Santos of FOIA Group, Inc., of Washington DC. Ms. Santos wanted copies of the integrated eligibility contract, the response to the RFP by the winning bidder, the original RFP, and other documents. There was no fee.

On Oct. 31 the department responded to an Oct. 17 request by Trish O'Hara of PsychSearch.net of Clearwater, Fla. Ms. O'Hara had a question regarding the department's response to Sen. Grassley concerning identities of Medicaid providers who prescribed large amounts of certain drugs. She wanted to know the identities of providers whose ID numbers were assigned prior to the current numbering system. The information was provided.